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POLITICAL COUNSELOR MADE DEMARCHE JULY 18 TO FRANCOIS
PLAISANT, ACTING DIRECTOR FOR EUROPEAN AFFAIRS IN MFA.
PLAISANT SAID THAT THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT SHARED OUR
CONCERN AND AGREED THAT THE SOVIET ACTIONS AGAINST
SHCHARANSKIY, GINZBURG AND ORLOV ARE A CLEAR VIOLATION
OF THE PRINCIPLES AFFIRMED IN THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT.
HE NOTED THAT THE MFA HAD ISSUED A STATEMENT JULY 10
EXPLICITLY LINKING THE TRIALS TO THE HUMAN RIGHTS
COMMITMENTS OF THE FINAL ACT (PARIS 22042) AND THAT
THE FRENCH HAD ACTIVELY SUPPORTED THE EC STATEMENT
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CONDEMNING THE TRIALS. HE ALSO RECALLED THAT THE MFA
HAD ISSUED A SIMILAR STATEMENT DURING THE ORLOV TRIAL.
FOR THE MOMENT, PLAISANT SAID, THE FRENCH DO NOT CON-
TEMPLATE ANY ADDITIONAL ACTIONS, BELIEVING THAT THEY
HAVE GOTTEN THEIR POINT ACROSS QUITE CLEARLY TO THE
SOVIETS.
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